

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method comprising:
2 connecting to a user via a second connection; and
3 providing the user access to data provided by a server, in which access is
4 via a first connection between the user and the server.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, in which the second connection is a telephone
2 connection.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, in which the second connection is associated with a
2 shared-revenue telephone number.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, in which providing the user access comprises:
2 providing the user access after connecting to the user.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1, in which providing the user access comprises:
2 providing the user access in response to connecting to the user.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1, in which providing the user access comprises:
2 providing the user access as long as the second connection is open.
- 1 7. The method of claim 1, in which providing the user access comprises:
2 transmitting a signal to the server.
- 1 8. The method of claim 1, in which providing the user access comprises:
2 providing the user access to the server.
- 1 9. The method of claim 1, in which providing the user access comprises:
2 enabling the user to receive the data.
- 1 10. The method of claim 1, further comprising: denying the user access if the
2 second connection is terminated.

1 11. The method of claim 10, in which denying the user access comprises:
2 transmitting a signal to the server.

1 12. The method of claim 1, further comprising: charging the user for providing
2 the user access.

1 13. The method of claim 12, in which charging the user comprises: charging
2 the user based on a time of the second connection.

1 14. The method of claim 12, in which charging the user comprises: charging
2 the user based on a time of the first connection.

1 15. The method of claim 12, in which charging the user comprises: charging
2 the user based on a fee.

1 16. The method of claim 1, in which the second connection is through a billing
2 system.

1 17. The method of claim 16, in which the billing system is a shared-revenue
2 billing system.

1 18. The method of claim 16, in which the billing system charges the user for
2 access.

1 19. A method comprising: providing a user access to data provided by a server
2 via a first communication channel as long as the user is in communication with a
3 billing system via a second communication channel.

1 20. A method comprising:
2 determining whether a user is in communication with a shared-revenue
3 telephone number via a second connection between the user and the shared-
4 revenue telephone number; and
5 providing the user access to data provided by a server if the user is in
6 communication with the shared-revenue telephone number via the second
7 connection, in which access to the data is via a first connection between the user
8 and the server.

1 21. A method comprising:
2 determining whether a user is in communication with a shared-revenue
3 telephone number via a second connection between the user and the shared-
4 revenue telephone number; and
5 denying the user access to data provided by a server if the user is not in
6 communication with the shared-revenue telephone number via the second
7 connection, in which access is via a first connection between the user and the
8 server.

1 22. A method comprising: denying a user access to data provided by a server
2 via a first communication channel if the user is not in communication with a billing
3 system via a second communication channel.

1 23. A method comprising:
2 receiving an indication that a second connection to a user is terminated; and
3 denying the user access to data provided by a server, in which access is via
4 a first connection between the user and the server.

1 24. The method of claim 23, in which the second connection is a telephone
2 connection.

1 25. The method of claim 23, in which the second connection is associated with
2 a shared-revenue telephone number.

1 26. The method of claim 23, in which denying the user access comprises:
2 denying the user access after receiving the indication.

1 27. The method of claim 23, in which denying the user access comprises:
2 denying the user access in response to receiving the indication.

1 28. The method of claim 23, in which the user has access to the data only as
2 long as the second connection is open.

1 29. The method of claim 23, in which denying the user access comprises:
2 transmitting a signal to the server.

1 30. The method of claim 23, in which denying the user access comprises:
2 denying the user access to the server.

1 31. The method of claim 23, in which denying the user access comprises:
2 preventing the user from receiving the data from the server.

1 32. The method of claim 23, in which the second connection is through a
2 billing system.

1 33. The method of claim 32, in which the billing system is a shared-revenue
2 billing system.

1 34. A method comprising:
2 connecting to a user via a second connection;
3 providing the user access to data provided by a server, in which access is
4 via a first connection between the user and the server;
5 determining whether the second connection is terminated; and
6 denying the user access to the data if the second connection is terminated.

1 35. A method comprising:
2 connecting to a user via a telephone connection, in which the telephone
3 connection is through a shared-revenue billing system;
4 transmitting a first signal to a server, in which the first signal instructs the
5 server to provide the user access to data provided by the server, in which access is
6 via a first connection between the user and the server;
7 determining whether the telephone connection is terminated; and
8 transmitting a second signal to the server, in which the second signal
9 instructs the server to deny the user access to the data.

1 36. A method comprising:
2 connecting to a server via a first connection, in which the server provides
3 data;

4 connecting to an access controller via a second connection; and
5 accessing the data via the first connection after connecting to the access
6 controller.

1 37. The method of claim 36, in which the second connection is a telephone
2 connection.

1 38. The method of claim 36, in which the second connection is associated with
2 a shared-revenue telephone number.

1 39. The method of claim 36, in which accessing the data comprises: accessing
2 the data in response to connecting to the access controller.

1 40. The method of claim 36, in which accessing the data comprises: accessing
2 the data as long as the second connection is open.

1 41. The method of claim 36, in which accessing the data comprises: accessing
2 the server.

1 42. The method of claim 36, in which accessing the data comprises: receiving
2 the data.

1 43. The method of claim 36, in which accessing the data comprises: receiving
2 access to the data from the server.

1 44. The method of claim 43, in which the access controller instructs the server
2 to provide access.

1 45. The method of claim 36, in which accessing the data comprises: receiving
2 access to the data from the access controller.

1 46. The method of claim 36, in which the second connection is through a
2 billing system.

1 47. The method of claim 46, in which the billing system is a shared-revenue
2 billing system.

1 48. The method of claim 46, in which the billing system charges for access to
2 the data.

1 49. The method of claim 36, in which the access controller charges for access
2 to the data.

1 50. The method of claim 36, in which the access controller is associated with a
2 shared-revenue billing system.

1 51. A method comprising: accessing data provided by a server via a first
2 communication channel only as long as a connection to an access controller is
3 open.

1 52. A method comprising: accessing data provided by a server via a first
2 communication channel only as long as a connection to a shared-revenue telephone
3 number is open.

1 53. A method comprising:
2 terminating a second connection to an access controller; and
3 losing access to data provided by a server, in which access is via a first
4 connection to the server.

1 54. A method comprising:
2 terminating a second connection to a shared-revenue telephone number; and
3 losing access to data provided by a server, in which access is via a first
4 connection to the server.